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**Subject:** Fwd: Transmittal of the Memorandum on ESA Section 7(a)(2) Consultation for State and Tribal for CWA Section 404 Program Approvals  
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Mary,

Please see the attached transmittal letter and memorandum on consultation requirements under the Endangered Species Act for state and tribal Clean Water Act Section 404 program approvals. Because we have determined that EPA's potential approval of the State of Florida's August 20, 2020 request to assume administration of the CWA Section 404 program may affect ESA-listed species or designated critical habitat, please initiate ESA Section 7 formal consultation with our federal partners as part of your review of Florida's application.

Regards,  
Dave

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